



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor
John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
HIRE A VETERAN MONTH
OCTOBER 2005

WHEREAS, whenever called upon to defend our nation's security at home or abroad, the men and women who serve in the United States Armed Forces have responded immediately and effectively, placing national interests above their own; and

WHEREAS, today our men and women in uniform put their lives at risk, seeking to defend this great nation and secure the blessings of freedom and liberty for oppressed people around the globe; and

WHEREAS, in 1944 when President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the G.I. Bill into law, he observed that more than anything else America's servicemen and women wanted "the assurance of satisfactory employment" upon their return to civilian life; and

WHEREAS, today's veterans bring to the modern workplace the benefits of skills, education, leadership, maturity and dedication learned in military service and desire the same economic opportunities as those who served before them; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are encouraged to honor our veterans and those currently serving for their important contributions to this state and nation, and to support them by providing employment opportunities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 2005, **HIRE A VETERAN MONTH** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/
John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:

/s/
Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State